Independent Evaluation – Management Response

(Note: This form is to be included in the final report.)

Name of programme/office/unit:	United Nations Satellite Centre (UNOSAT) and other consortium partners
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Name of project undertaking	CommonSensing project	**ID**	TARSA027.UK Space Agency
Name of evaluation	Endline Evaluation of the CommonSensing Project (Update)
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SECTION I – Comments on Findings/ Conclusions	
I agreed with the overall findings and conclusions. This has been a complex project to manage, but several good results were achieved. One elements that may be a challenge is that the UK panthers have had a project extensions until end of 2022, while UNOSAT did not get such extensions. Hence as project lead UNOSAT do not have a much leverage on what will be done unitil end 2022.	

SECTION II - RECOMMENDATIONS				
Recommendation	**Management Response and Planned Action**			
	Accepted Partially Accepted Rejected	**Planned action**	**Budget allocated (if necessary)**	**Status (planned, under implementation, implemented)**
1. **Local partners -** Invovle partner(s) from country or region as part of the consortium in future projects of this nature.	**Accepted**	Ensure local partners are involed from the onseth.		Planned
	Comments:			
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2. **IT risks** - Take into consideration IT issues as part of the risks that might undermine project implementation. In particular, include a risk analysis related to IT issues when setting similar systems and foresee in the contingency budget to afford the unexpected technical issues that these might impl for similar projects	Accepted	Do a proper risk plan from the onsets on the future projects		Planned
	Comments: This a very important point and area where the project did not fully succeed.			

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3.	**Commonwealth National Climate Finance Advisor** - Upgrade the role and tasks of the Commonwealth National Climate Finance Advisor, as they should not only focus on attracting climate finance but also on tracking climate finance in country or support governments to improve their capacities to track climate finance.	Accepted	To be implemented in NORAD project.		Planned
		Comments:			

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4.	**Assessment of learning outcomes** - Improve the assessment of learning outcomes. The assessment of capacity development activities remained at output level and mainly focused on the quantity and quality of the training events, but not on the learning impact over the participants. Thus, it is recommended that all training activities include a system that can measure immediate impact in terms of learning process or knowledge acquired over participants immediately after the trainings.	**Accepted**	**System to be developed**		Planned
		Comments:			

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5.	**Civil society organisations** - Enhance their engagement with CSOs and humanitarian NGOs when implementing this type of project.	**Accepted**	**Enhance engagements with NGO and CSO**		Planned
		Comments: **This is an important point, but can sometimes be difficult to achieve.**			

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6.	**Gender** - Undertaken a gender and social inclusion analysis at the project design phase for future projects.	**Accepted**	**Undertake study at onset of future projects.**		Planned
		Comments:			

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7.	**Legacy evaluation** - Undertake a legacy evaluation for a more complete assessment of the effectiveness, efficiency, impact and sustainability of the project, including the CS platform. Ahead of the legacy evaluation, undertake the following actions: • Update the log frame with the targets achieved to be used as	**Accepted**	**Update log frame** **Undertake gender and social inclusion analysis**		Planned
		Comments:			

	baseline for the follow-up project financed by NORAD.	
	• Update the case study. Undertaken a gender and social inclusion analysis at the project design phase for future projects.	

Name of Director/Programme Manager	Date	Signature
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